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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the specification as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the last paragraph on page 9 spanning page 10 as follows:

When all of the fingers have been processed (step s26), it is determined whether data suitable for speed estimation has been obtained by checking the state of the "finger valid flag" (step s27). If the "finger valid flag" is false, no further calculations are performed and the result of the low speed speed estimating process p2a is noted as being unreliable by setting a reliability flag to false. However, if the "finger valid flag" is true, the Doppler spread  $\hat{f}_{d_{spread}}$  is estimated for the last finger whose

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